

## CHILD ABUSE PREVENTION AND ENFORCEMENT ACT

*Committee on Rules:* Granted, by voice vote, an open rule providing 1 hour of debate on H.R. 764, Child Abuse Prevention and Enforcement Act of 1999. The rule waives all points of order against consideration of the bill. The rule waives points of order against provisions in the bill for failure to comply with clause 4 of rule XXI (prohibiting appropriations in legislative bills). The rule provides that the bill shall be open for amendment at any point. The rule allows the Chairman of the Committee of the Whole to accord priority in recognition to Members who have pre-printed their amendments in the Congressional Record. The rule allows the Chairman of the Committee of the Whole to postpone votes during consideration of the bill and to reduce voting time to five minutes on a postponed question if the vote follows a fifteen minute vote. Finally, the rule provides one motion to recommit with or without instructions. Testimony was heard from Representatives McCollum and Scott.

## NEW PUBLIC LAWS

(For last listing of Public Laws, see DAILY DIGEST, p. D1075)

S. 380, to reauthorize the Congressional Award Act. Signed October 1, 1999. (P.L. 106-63)

## COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR TUESDAY, OCTOBER 5, 1999

(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)

### Senate

*Committee on Armed Services:* to hold closed hearings on issues relating to the Department of Energy and Intelligence Community witnesses on military implications of the Comprehensive Test Ban Treaty, 9:30 a.m., S-407, Capitol.

*Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs:* Subcommittee on Housing and Transportation, to hold hearings on S. 1452, to modernize the requirements under the National Manufactured Housing Construction and Safety Standards of 1974 and to establish a balanced consensus process for the development, revision, and interpretation of Federal construction and safety standards for manufactured homes, 9:30 a.m., SD-538.

*Committee on Energy and Natural Resources:* Subcommittee on Forests and Public Land Management, to hold hearings on S. 1608, to provide annual payments to the States and counties from National Forest System lands managed by the Forest Service, and the revested Oregon and California Railroad and reconveyed Coos Bay Wagon Road grant lands managed predominately by the Bureau of Land Management, for use by the counties in which the lands are situated for the benefit of the public schools, roads, emergency and other public purposes; to encourage and provide new mechanism for cooperation between counties and the Forest Service and the Bureau

of Land Management to make necessary investments in federal lands, and reaffirm the positive connection between Federal Lands counties and Federal Lands; and for other purposes, 2:30 p.m., SD-366.

*Committee on Environment and Public Works:* Subcommittee on Clean Air, Wetlands, Private Property, and Nuclear Safety, to hold hearings on the Environmental Protection Agency's Blue Ribbon Panel findings on methyl tertiary-butyl ether, 9:30 a.m., SD-406.

*Committee on Foreign Relations:* to hold hearings on the Convention On Protection of Children and Co-operation in Respect of Intercountry Adoption, Adopted and Opened for Signature at the Conclusion of the Seventeenth Session of the Hague Conference on Private International Law on May 29, 1993 (Treaty Doc. 105-51); and S. 682, to implement the Hague Convention on Protection of Children and Co-operation in Respect of Intercountry Adoption, 10:30 a.m., SD-419.

Subcommittee on African Affairs, to hold hearings to examine development assistance to Africa and the implementation of United States foreign policy, 2:45 p.m., SD-419.

*Select Committee on Intelligence:* to hold closed hearings on pending intelligence matters, 2:30 p.m., room to be announced.

*Committee on the Judiciary:* Subcommittee on Administrative Oversight and the Courts, to hold hearings on S. 758, to establish legal standards and procedures for the fair, prompt, inexpensive, and efficient resolution of personal injury claims arising out of asbestos exposure, 10 a.m., SD-226.

### House

*Committee on Armed Services,* hearing on the U.S. Commission on National Security/21st Century, 9:30 a.m., 2118 Rayburn.

*Committee on Commerce,* Subcommittee on Energy and Power, hearings on H.R. 2944, Electricity Competition and Reliability Act of 1999, 10 a.m., 2123 Rayburn.

*Committee on Education and the Workforce,* to mark up H.R. 2, to send more dollars to the classroom, 10:30 a.m., 2175 Rayburn.

*Committee on the Judiciary,* to mark up the following: H.R. 2886, to amend the Immigration and Nationality Act to provide that an adopted alien who is less than 18 years of age may be considered a child under such Act if adopted with or after a sibling who is a child under such Act; H.R. 1520, Child Status Protection Act of 1999; H.R. 2961, International Patient Act; and two private relief bills, 10 a.m., 2141 Rayburn.

*Committee on Resources,* Subcommittee on National Parks and Public Lands, hearing on H.R. 2932, to authorize the Golden Spike/Crossroads of the West National Heritage Area, 10 a.m., 1324 Longworth.

*Committee on Science,* Subcommittee on Basic Research, hearing on Plant Genome Science: From the Lab to the Field to the Market, Part 2, 2 p.m., 2318 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Energy and Environment, hearing on Fuels for Future, 10 a.m., 2318 Rayburn.

*Committee on Ways and Means,* Subcommittee on Human Resources, hearing on fatherhood legislation, 12 p.m., B-318 Rayburn.